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1. ON OCTOBER 2 FONOFF REP (SEZAKI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FIRST ECONOMIC COOPERATION DIVISION) PROVIDED FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFO RE JAPANESE AID TO EGYPT:

2. RE 50 MILLION DOLLAR COMMODITY LOAN: DIPLOMATIC NOTES WERE SCHEDULED TO BE EXCHANGED AT 8:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME OCTOBER 2 IN CAIRO. IN YEN TERMS, COMPUTED AT 300 YEN/DOLLAR, LOAN IS FOR 15 BILLION YEN AND IS TIED TO PROCUREMENT IN JAPAN. LOAN MAY BE USED FOR PURCHASE OF FOLLOWING CAPITAL GOODS FROM AGREED SHOPPING LIST: TRACTORS, BULLDOZERS, TRAMWAY CARS, TELEPHONE EXCHANGE EQUIPMENT, CABLES, STEEL PIPE, TEXTILE MACHINERY, TIRES AND TUBES, AND OTHERS. GOJ CONTEMPLATES TWO LOAN AGREEMENTS, WHICH ARE NEXT STEP IN GOJ DISBURSEMENT PROCESS, TO IMPLEMENT THIS LOAN. FIRST AGREEMENT WILL BE FOR FIRST HALF OF LAON, IE 7.5 BILLION YEN. WHEN LETTERS OF COMMITMENT INDICATING FIRM GOE INTENT RE PURCHASES UNDER FIRST AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY JAPANESE LENDING AGENCY, THE OVERSEAS ECONOMIC COOPERATION FUND, SECOND LOAN
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AGREEMENT WILL BE EXECUTED AND DISBURSEMENT CAN

CONTINUE. GOE IS PRESENTLY NEGOTIATING WITH JAPANESE FIRMS CONCERNING ITEMS ON SHOPPING LIST IN AMOUNT OF 47 BILLION YEN, THREE TIMES THE AMOUNT OF JAPANESE LOAN. ASSUMING QUICK AGREEMENTS ON PARTICULAR PURCHASES, DISBURSEMENT OF LOAN COULD PROCEED QUICKLY. SEZAKI PERSONALLY DOUBTS, HOWEVER, THAT DISBURSEMENT WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN THIS CALENDAR YEAR.

3. RE 50 MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT LOAN: 15 MILLION DOLLAR CAIRO WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IS CLOSE TO BIDDING STAGE AND CONCEIVABLY SOME DISBURSEMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT COULD BEGIN RELATIVELY NEAR FUTURE. ON OTHER HAND, 35 MILLION DOLLAR ALEXANDRIA PORT PROJECT IS IN MUCH EARLIER STAGE AND GOJ MISSION TO EGYPT MID-OCTOBER WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO STUDY THAT PROJECT. SHOULD THE GOE, IN INTEREST OF QUICKER DISBURSEMENT OF JAPANESE PROJECT AID, SUGGEST SOME OTHER PROJECT, GOJ WOULD FLEXIBLY AND FAVORABLY CONSIDER SUCH A PROPOSAL, SAID SEZAKI.

4. ON SEPTEMBER 30 GOE MINISTER OF FINANCE ISMAIL CALLED IN GOJ AMBASSADOR WADA TO QTE COMPLAIN UNQTE THAT JAPAN SHOULD PROVIDE 100 MILLION DOLLARS IN EMERGENCY NON-PROJECT AID RATHER THAN MERELY 50 MILLION. WADA RESPONDED, ACCORDING TO SEZAKI, BY REPEATING GOJ POSITION THAT NO MORE THAN PRESENTLY CONTEMPLATED 50 MILLION NON-PROJECT AND 50 MILLION PROJECT AID COULD BE PROVIDED.

5. COMMENT. SEZAKI'S VERSION OF WADA-ISMAIL CONVERSATION IS INKEEPING WITH EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING OF GOJ AID COMMITMENTS AND SEZAKI'S EXPLANATIONS PARA 2 AND 3 ABOVE. WE SHARE DEPT'S ASSESSMENT (REF A) OF WADA-ISMAIL DISCUSSION REPORTED REF C. END COMMENT.
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